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Subject: FW: Anaconda Mine Site - Walker River Paiute NDEP meeting dates
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Angeles,

Attached is the existing coordination protocol between NDEP and WRPT.

Greg

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From: Greg Lovato
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Hello Chairman Torres,

Thanks again for yours and the council's time yesterday to meet with us on this matter. At the end of this e-mail (after my contact info), I included the main messages that we (EPA, BLM and NDEP) tried to deliver to the Tribal Council yesterday. I hope these came through clearly, but I figure it always helps to see it in writing. Please feel free to pass along to others.

As we discussed yesterday, I am sending this e-mail to you in your role as Tribal Chairman to propose some dates that NDEP would be available to meet with you and/or your representatives. I am thinking we should set aside 3 hours for this first meeting. Please find attached a proposed agenda for your review and comment. I am thinking it would be best to have this first meeting with just NDEP and Walker River Paiute Tribe representatives and we can talk about when it makes sense to include other parties in future meetings.

Here are some potential dates (If you could pick out 2 or 3 dates it would help, as I am also trying to set up a first meeting with the Yerington Community Action Group led by Peggy Pauly.)

March 24 anytime

March 28 in the morning

March 31 in the morning

April 4 in the morning

April 14 anytime

For your convenience, I have attached a copy of the April 2009 Walker River Paiute Tribe/NDEP Coordination Protocol. This is something we can review and discuss as needed during our upcoming meetings.

Just so you are aware, we have a meeting set up with representatives for Yerington Paiute Tribe for next Friday, March 17. Ginny Hatch will be attending that meeting for the Yerington Paiute Tribe.

Please feel free to call me if you or others have any questions or would like to discuss.

Sincere regards,

Greg

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EPA/BLM/NDEP March 9, 2017 Messages

1. Consistent with conditions in the Governor's March 2016 NPL concurrence letter and NDEP request, EPA is postponing final NPL listing for the Anaconda Site while EPA, BLM and NDEP evaluate the feasibility of a private funding agreement for addressing the whole Site, including the Arimetco (OU-8) portion.

2. In the past few months, NDEP and ARC have engaged in good faith and constructive discussions surrounding this option.

3. BLM and EPA have recently joined these discussions and agree that additional time is needed to continue discussions and evaluate whether the option can be supported as a viable alternative to NPL.
4. All parties are seeking a remedy for the Site that is CERCLA-protective. Evaluation of an alternative to NPL listing that is CERCLA-protective alternative and would utilize private funding instead of federal funding for OU-8 is good public policy and in the best interest of taxpayers.
5. EPA, NDEP, and BLM are committed to transparency and clear and open dialogue in the evaluation of alternatives to NPL. We are seeking input from the Walker River Paiute Tribe on how to conduct this evaluation in a manner that ensures you have meaningful participation.
6. This summer, if these discussions do not result in an agreement on an alternative path, the EPA, NDEP and BLM will move forward to finalize listing of the site on the NPL in 2017.
7. All agencies are committed to starting remediation on the Arimetco portion of the Site in 2019.